

## Message Text

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ACTION EA-12

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PCAT, KS, TH, US  
SUBJ: POTENTIAL SALE OF 81MM MORTARS TO THAILAND

1. ROKG HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING USG  
APPROVAL TO SELL 18 81MM MORTARS TO US COMPANY CADILLAC  
GAGE FOR EVENTUAL EXPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND.

2. IN JANUARY 1977 ROK WAS AUTHORIZED BY USG TO SELL 170  
81MM MORTARS TO GOT. WE RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THIS NEW  
REQUEST TO ORDER TO STRENGTHEN ROKG FEELING THAT US IS  
RELIABLE PARTNER IN DEFENSE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENTS  
APPROVAL WILL ALSO HELP LINK ROK TO US AS SUPPLEMENTAL  
DEFENSE EQUIPMENT SUPPLIER FOR ORDERS WHICH US MAY NOT  
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BE ABLE TO FILL ON TIMELY BASIS. ADDITIONALLY, THAILAND  
APPEARS TO BE A COUNTRY TO WHICH THE US WILL BE WILLING  
TO SUPPLY THIS TYPE OF EQUIPMENT IN VIEW OF PAST  
AUTHORIZATION.

3. SINCE CONTRACTING ACTION WITH CADILLAC GAGE DEPENDS  
ON A FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST, WE WOULD

APPRECIATE AN EARLY REPLY.  
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